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**Group Art Unit:** 3682  
**Examiner:** D. Fenstermacher  
**Title:** Oil Pan For Automobile Engine  
**Attorney Docket:** 27006-0002  
**Reply To Office Action Dated June 21, 2006**

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Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fees Paid (\$)
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

**2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES**Fee Description

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

Small Entity Fee (\$)

50      25

Each independent claim over 3 (Including Reissues)

200      100

Multiple dependent claims

360      180

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**RESPONSE**

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This is in response to the Office Action mailed June 21, 2006 for which the three-month shortened-statutory period for response is set to expire on September 21, 2006. Kindly consider the remarks set forth below:

**Listing of the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.**

**Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.**